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JULY 19, 2006



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Special Meeting of Wednesday, July 19, 2006

**10:00 A.M.
Central Standard Time**

COOK COUNTY BOARD ROOM, COUNTY BUILDING

Board met pursuant to Resolution 06-R-291, approved and adopted July 12, 2006:

**06-R-291
RESOLUTION**

Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE LARRY SUFFREDIN AND GREGG GOSLIN
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Co-Sponsored by

**THE HONORABLE JERRY BUTLER, FORREST CLAYPOOL, EARLEAN COLLINS,
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AND BOBBIE L. STEELE, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

TO CALL A SPECIAL MEETING TO FILL VACANCY IN OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, Cook County Board President, John H. Stroger, Jr. tendered a signed letter of resignation to the Secretary of the Board and the Board of Commissioners on July 5, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/2-6003, "Vacancy in office of president," reads in pertinent part, as follows:

In case of the...resignation...from office...of the president so elected... If less than two years and sixty days of the unexpired term remain, the board of commissioners shall elect one of their number to serve the unexpired term of the president.

WHEREAS, President Stroger's resignation from the office of the President becomes effective on July 31, 2006, with approximately four months remaining in his term as president; and

WHEREAS, the vacancy in the office of the President is as of August 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Commissioner who is selected as the new president will need time for a transition before taking office; and

WHEREAS, the public should be fully informed of the platform and qualifications of all board members seeking to serve as President.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT:

Pursuant to Rule 4-1 of the Rules of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, a Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners be called for July 19, 2006 to select a member of the Cook County Board of Commissioners to serve as President from August 1, 2006 until December 4, 2006 (the unexpired term of President Stroger) pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/2-6003 and that the public be given an opportunity to participate in such meeting according to the Board's rules in accordance with this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that at any special meeting to elect a member to serve the unexpired term of President, the President shall be elected by a simple majority of those present and voting on the question; provided that a vote of "present" shall not be counted as voting on the question; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that at such special meeting, nominations shall be made from the floor at the call of the Presiding Officer, which nominations shall not require a second; after nominations are closed by the Presiding Officer, the nominees, in alphabetical order, shall be allowed ten minutes to speak to the nomination; after which voting shall be by roll call pursuant to Chapter XIV of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, 10th Edition, wherein each member when called upon shall declare his or her vote for a single nominee or may vote "present;" the Clerk of the Board shall maintain a tally of the votes and announce the tally at the Presiding Officer's direction; if, after a vote upon the nominations, a single nominee receives a simple majority of those present and voting on the question, the Presiding Officer shall declare that member to have been elected President effective August 1, 2006, upon taking the oath of office, to serve until the newly elected President takes the oath of office on December 4, 2006; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if, after a vote upon the nominations, a single nominee does not receive a simple majority of those present and voting on the question, the Presiding Officer shall declare no election and all previous nominations shall be cancelled; the Presiding Officer shall again call for nominations from the floor, which nominations shall not require a second; after nominations are closed by the Presiding Officer, the nominees who were not previously nominated shall be allowed ten minutes to speak to the nomination, in alphabetical order; voting shall again be by roll call pursuant to Chapter XIV of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, 10th Edition, wherein each member when called upon shall again declare his or her vote for a single nominee or may vote "present;" the Clerk of the Board shall maintain a tally of the votes and announce the tally at the Presiding Officer's direction; this process shall continue until a member receives a simple majority of those present and voting on the question; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in order to accommodate the large number of persons who may wish to express their views on this important matter, public participation shall be limited to written testimony filed with the Secretary of the Board by July 18, 2006 so that it may be distributed to all Board members.

Approved and adopted this 12th day of July 2006.

JOHN H. STROGER, JR., President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

Attest: DAVID ORR, County Clerk

COPY OF LETTER SENT TO ALL COMMISSIONERS

July 14, 2006

Honorable President and
Members of the Cook County
Board of Commissioners

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to 06-R-291, Fourteen Members of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County have directed me to call a Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County on Wednesday, July 19, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 A.M., in the County Board Room, Room 569, County Building 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois to consider the following:

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Very truly yours,

DAVID ORR, Cook County Clerk and Clerk
of the Board of the Commissioners of Cook County, Illinois

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This is to certify that a copy of the above notice was hand delivered and personally addressed to each Member of the Board of Cook County Commissioners at their home address and was deposited in the United States Mail on July 14, 2006.

DAVID ORR, County Clerk

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The following Legal Notice appeared in the Chicago Sun-Times Newspaper on July 17, 2006.

LEGAL NOTICE

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DAVID ORR, Cook County Clerk and Clerk
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OFFICIAL RECORD

President Pro Tempore Moreno in the Chair.

CALL TO ORDER

At 10:00 A.M., being the hour appointed for the meeting, the President Pro Tempore called the Board to order.

QUORUM

County Clerk David Orr called the roll of members and there was found to be a quorum present.

ROLL CALL

Present: Butler, Claypool, Collins, Daley, Gorman, Goslin, Hansen, Maldonado, Moreno, Murphy, Peraica, Quigley, Silvestri, Sims, Steele and Suffredin - 16.

Excused

Absence: Stroger - 1.

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NOMINATIONS FOR AND ELECTION OF THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

Nominations for and election of a member of the Cook County Board of Commissioners to serve as President from August 1, 2006 until December 4, 2006 (the unexpired term of President John H. Stroger, Jr.) pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/2-6003.

Commissioner Butler, seconded by Commissioner Peraica, moved to close the nominations. Commissioner Peraica called for a roll call, the results of the roll call were as follows:

**ROLL CALL ON THE MOTION FOR NOMINATION FOR
AND ELECTION OF THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT**

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Claypool</u>	<u>Hansen</u>	<u>Steele</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Butler			X	
Claypool			X	
Collins			X	
Daley			X	
Gorman	X			
Goslin		X		
Hansen		X		
Maldonado			X	
Murphy			X	
Peraica		X		
Quigley			X	
Silvestri		X		
Sims			X	
Suffredin			X	
Steele			X	
Stroger, President				Excused
Moreno, President			X	
Pro Tempore				
Total	0	5	11	1

Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Peraica, moved the nomination for President be by unanimous vote. **By voice vote the motion carried unanimously.**

President Pro Tempore Moreno declared that Commissioner Bobbie L. Steele has been elected President effective August 1, 2006, upon taking the oath of office, to serve until the newly elected President takes the oath of office on December 4, 2006.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, moved that the Special Meeting do now adjourn.

The motion prevailed and the Special Meeting stood adjourned.

The next regular County Board Meeting is scheduled by law, for Thursday, September 7, 2006.

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